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SUBJECT: INDIAN FOREIGN MINISTER EXPRESSES HOPE FOR MIDDLE EAST TRUCE, SUPPORT FOR ARABS

WHILE VISITING JAIPUR OCTOBER 23, EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SWARAN SINGH TOLD NEWSMEN INDIA WAS CONCERNED ABOUT MIDDLE EAST CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS, BUT EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THEY WERE ONLY THE "INEVITABLE OVERFLOW" OF THE WAR. SINGH APPEALED TO ALL NATIONS INVOLVED IN THE WAR TO STABILIZE THE CEASEFIRE. HE SAID INDIA WAS SATISFIED WITH THE LATEST UN RESOLUTION BECAUSE IT INCLUDED STEPS TO ATTEMPT TO REMOVE THE BASIC CAUSES OF RECURRING CONFLICTS IN THE REGION. SINGH REFERRED TO ISRAELI "CHAUVINISM" IN THE PAST, AND JUSTIFIED INDIA'S TRADITIONAL PRO-ARAB STANCE BY SAYING "IT WAS QUITE NATURAL THAT OUR SYMPATHIES WERE WITH THE ARABS WHEN THE WAR BROKE OUT AS THEY HAD SUFFERED IN THE WAR FOR VACATING AGGRESSION AND DEFENDING THEIR OWN LAND."MOYNIHAN

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